26. Forest and waste lands which have been provisionally notified under Section 4 of the Forest Act and which were still undergoing settlement inquiries at the close of the year, are exhibited in the following statement :—

No.	Division.	Area.		Remarks.
		Square miles.	Acres.	
1	East Khándesh	3	526	
2	West Khándesh	2	579	
3	Násik	...	35	
4	Ahmednagar	...	520	
5	Poona	2	461	
6	Sátára	3	177	
7	Sholápur	...	17	
	Total ...	13	395	

27. No privileges already conceded by Government in favour of the local population, or of any sections of them, in any of the divisions of the Central Circle have been rescinded or diminished, nor have their scope been enlarged; and no new privileges have been granted.

28. The following statement shows the details of expenditure charged to forests on account of the cost of forest settlements and the work accomplished during the year :—

No.	Division.	Work accomplished.		Cost of Establishments, &c.				Remarks.
		Square miles.	Acres.	Pay.	Travelling Allowance.	Contingencies.	Total Cost.	
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	East Khándesh ...	143	182	3,340	502	262	4,104	
2	West Khándesh ...							
3	Násik	...	261	...	...	...	...	
4	Ahmednagar	...	217	...	...	29	29	
5	Poona	3	137	1,099	410	231	1,740	
6	Sátára	15	16	1,289	195	207	1,691	
7	Sholápur	...	76	...	...	...	...	
	Total ...	162	249	5,728	1,107	729	7,564	

(iii).—DEMARCATION.

29. The work of erecting special forest boundary marks to demarcate forest boundaries was carried on during the year in all the divisions of the Central Circle to the following extent, and at the cost mentioned :—

No.	Division.	Length of Boundaries in miles.	Number of Special Boundary-marks.			Total cost.	Remarks.
			Large.	Small.	Total.		
1	East Khándesh	28	76	174	250	125	
2	West Khándesh	240	242	1,874	2,116	788	
3	Násik	189	2,415	6,077	8,492	3,709	
4	Ahmednagar	179	2,603	21	2,624	1,330	
5	Poona	62	1,674	357	2,031	1,110	
6	Sátára	126	49	3,045	3,094	670	
7	Sholápur	9	12	484	496	141	
	Total ...	833	7,071	12,032	19,103	7,873	

30. In the East Khándesh division intermediate cairns between those placed by the Forest Settlement Officer, so that they may be visible one from the other, were erected upon 28 miles of forest boundary line in the Chálisgaon, Ráver, Sávda and Yával ranges; and the boundary line was cleared of vegetation; old boundary-márks were maintained in repair.

31. In the West Khándesh division 1,400 cairns were erected by the Forest Settlement Officer in the Pimpalner and Akráni ranges at a cost of Rs. 609, and the Divisional Forest Officer erected 716 new marks at a cost of Rs. 179; and an expenditure of Rs. 231 was incurred on repairs to old pillars. A sum of Rs. 291 was spent on line cutting on forest boundaries.

32. In the Násik division demarcation was pushed vigorously in the Peint and Igatpuri ranges, and 3,105 and 2,773 cairns were built at a cost of Rs. 1,402 and Rs. 1,523 respectively: and 2,614 new cairns were erected in the other ranges save Niphád and Nándgaon, and old marks were maintained in repair.

33. Demarcation in the Ahmednagar division was carried on with vigour, 2,624 marks having been erected against 1,067 in the year preceding; and up to the end of the year the demarcation of boundaries in 162 villages out of 829 forest villages has been completed.

34. In the Poona division likewise fair progress was made, 2,031 cairns having been erected against 781 during 1893-94, at a cost of Rs. 1,110.

35. In the Sátára and Sholápur divisions owing to want of funds the progress was not so great as might otherwise have been. 3,094 cairns were erected at a cost of Rs. 670 in the former, while in the latter division, although funds were available, they were not fully utilised, and only 496 marks were put up at an expenditure of Rs. 141.

(iv).—SURVEYS.

36. The Forest Survey Party (No. 17) of the Government of India carried on their operations under the superintendence of Colonel Hobday in the divisions of Ahmednagar and Poona only of the Central Circle during the year, and the statement given below will show the details of the work done and the expenditure incurred on its account:—

No.	Division.	Detail Survey.						Total. cost.
		4″	Cost.	8″	Cost.	16″	Cost.	
			Rs.		Rs.		Rs.	
1	Ahmednagar ...	...	...	106·14	10,941	23 83	2,719	13,660
2	Poona	159·35	12,640	6·89	782	0·41	54	13,476
	Total ...	159·35	12,640	113·03	11,723	24·24	2,773	27,136

37. The cost rates per square mile of the different scales are given below as compared with those of last year:—

1893-94.		1894-95.	
Scale.	Cost Rate.	Scale.	Cost Rate.
	Rs. a. p		Rs. a. p.
4″	84 9 3	4″	81 1 4
8″	134 13 7	8″	110 13 7
16″	179 6 7	16″	116 7 3